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SUBJECT: DOLANC VISIT TO HUNGARY

1. STANE DONANC, SECRETARY OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF LCY PRESIDIUM, VISITED HUNGARY FROM MAY 12-14 AT INVITATION OF HSWP CC. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY DUSAN ALIMPIC, MEMBER OF LCY PRESIDIUM AND PRESIDENT OF PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE OF LCY, AND OTHER MINOR OFFICIALS. DOLANC WAS RECEIVED BY HSWP FIRST SECRETARY JANOS KADAR. HE HELD TALKS WITH BELA BISZKU, MEMBER HSWP POLITBURO, AND WITH ANDRAS GYENES, SECRETARY OF HSWP CC AND ITS FOREIGN POLICY EXPERT AND JANOS BEREZ AND ISTVAN VARGA, HEADHAND DEPUTY HEAD RESPECTIVELY OF CC FOREIGN SECTION.

2. DOLANC EXCHANGED VIEWS WITH HUNGARIANS ON PRESENT INTERNATIONAL SITUATION AND DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH FORTHCOMING BELGRADE MEETING ON CSCE MATTERS. COMMUNIQUE SAYS BOTH SIDES MAINTAINED BELGRADE MEETINGS SHOULD BE CONSTRUCTIVE AS FAR AS PEACE, SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE ARE CONCERNED. THEY AGREED THAT AN IMPORTANT ROLE IS BEING PLAYED BY SOCIALIST COUNTRIES IN CONSOLIDATION OF POSITIVE TRENDS IN EUROPEAN AFFAIRS AS WELL AS BY NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES AND "ALL OF THOSE PROGRESSIVE FORECES STRUGGLING AGAINST IMPERIALISM, NEO-COLONIALISM,
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OPPRESSION AND EXPLOITATION." BOTH SIDES UNDERSCORED IMPORTANCE OF LAST YEAR'S BERLIN CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN COMMUNIST AND WORKERS' PARTIES. IN THE FUTURE THEY DECIDED TO URGE STRENGTHENING OF COOPERATION BETWEEN COMMUNIST AND WORKERS' PARTIES AND CONSOLIDATION OF THEIR INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY ON BASIS OF EQUAL RIGHTS, INDEPENDENCE AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS. BOTH SIDES SAID THEY

WOULD CONTINUE TO "FAVOR RIGHT TO FREEDOM IN SELECTION OF PATH TO PROGRESSIVE SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION AND STRUGGLE FOR SOCIALISM."

3. DOLANC EXTENDED AN INVITATION TO KADAR TO VISIT YUGOSLAVIA WHICH WAS ACCEPTED. KADAR IS NOW EXPECTED TO VISIT YUGOSLAVIA IN SEPTEMBER AT A DATE TO BE DETERMINED LATER. DOLANC WAS ALSO INTERVIEWED ON HUNGARIAN PRIME TIME TV SHOW MAY 13 BUT HIS REPLIES OO QUESTIONS WERE GENERAL AND HACK-NEYED.

4. YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR GASPAROVIC TOLD CHARGE NOTHING UNUSUAL DEVELOPED DURING THE TALKS. HUNGARIAN RECEPTION WAS WARM AND RELATIONS BETWEEN TWO PARTIES ARE GOOD. THERE WAS LENGTHY DISCUSSION ABOUT CSCE TALKS IN BELGRADE AND HERE THERE WAS A DIFFERENCE IN VIEWS. YUGOSLAVS BELIEVE THAT AT BELGRADE MORE THAN JUST EUROPEAN SECURITY AND DETENTE SHOULD BE DISCUSSED. ATTENTION, THEY ARGUED, SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO MEDITERRANEAN AREA, MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA ALIKE AND THEY WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS SOME PROPOSALS FOR MAKING MEDITERRANEAN A MILITARY FREE ZONE. HUNGARIANS BELIEVE THERE ARE OTHER FORA FOR SUCH DISCUSSIONS AND PREFER TO CONFINE DISCUSSION ONLY TO HELSINKI DOCUMENT. GASPAROVIC SAID THERE ARE NO NATIONAL MINORITY ISSUES ON EITHER SIDE AND THAT "COMINFORMIST ISSUE IS NO LONGER A HUNGARIAN PROBLEM". HE SAID DOLANC WAS IN GOOD MENTAL FETTLER BUT SEEMED PHYSICALLY TIRED.

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